

ESU Coordinating Council
Regular Meeting
January 4, 2018 at 8:30 AM Central
ESU 3 plus Zoom
6949 South 110th Street
LaVista, NE 68128

Attendance Taken at 8:30 AM.

Heimann ESU 01: Present
DeTurk ESU 02: Present
Schnoes ESU 03: Present
Robke ESU 04: Present
McNiff ESU 05: Present
Shoemake ESU 06: Absent
Polk ESU 07: Present
Mowinkel ESU 08: Present
Lofquist ESU 09: Present
Bell ESU 10: Present
Barnes ESU 11: Absent
West ESU 13: Present
Calvert ESU 15: Present
Paulman ESU 16: Present
Erickson ESU 17: Present
Standish ESU 18: Present
Wickham ESU 19: Present

ESU Coordinating Council Information

Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council
Regular Meeting

Educational Service Unit No. 3
6949 South 110th Street
LaVista, NE 68128
Video Conference Sites: 4,5,6,10,11,13,18

Call to Order

Call to order at 8:30.

Staff: David M Ludwig, Deb Hericks, Beth Kabes, Priscilla Quintana, Colleen Lentz, Scott Isaacson, Craig Peterson

Guests: Matt Hastings, Dean Folkers, Janine Theiler, Russ Masco, Joan Wade, Craig Hicks, Tina Sauser, BJ Peters, Dave Patton

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes from November 2017.

Motion to approve the minutes as presented Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Polk ESU 07.

Heimann ESU 01: Yea

DeTurk ESU 02: Yea

Schnoes ESU 03: Yea

Robke ESU 04: Yea

McNiff ESU 05: Yea

Polk ESU 07: Yea

Mowinkel ESU 08: Yea

Lofquist ESU 09: Yea

Bell ESU 10: Yea

West ESU 13: Yea

Calvert ESU 15: Yea

Paulman ESU 16: Yea

Erickson ESU 17: Yea

Standish ESU 18: Yea

Wickham ESU 19: Yea

Yea: 15, Nay: 0

ESU Share Out Topics

ESU 3 Administrator shared that they will be building a new data center. They will start within a couple of weeks, done by July 2018. Nebraska Court Improvement Project which provides professional development for those that work with students in the court system. Dan Schnoes has been invited to help plan the training and conference. Sites include: Scottsbluff, Lexington, Norfolk, and Lincoln NE. He has been asked to provide names for a panel discussion. Conference to be held Fall 2019.

Petitions and Communications to the Board

AESA/Joan Wade

Joan Wade, AESA Executive Director was present to share about AESA and to walk us through the redesign process. There are approximately 530 members of AESA. Their key focus is to share best practices and growing services deeper within the organization. Governed by Executive Council - 4 regions, 3 people from each region. Jeff West, ESU 13 is current President of AESA. They are in the process of voting for new council members, election window will be open for four weeks. Three main focus areas: Leadership, Networking and Advocacy at Federal Leadership. She shared the different conferences/meetings held by AESA. Noelle Ellerson is the lobbyist for AESA at the federal level. For networking, they have

created Affinity Groups. They currently have 8-9 different affinity groups, these are interest areas and any member can join a group. She discussed the redesign process that AESA went through last year. Susan Leddick will be the facilitator of this process. This is the process that the ESUCC Board will begin in February. If you could have what you want, what would you have? We will set bold steps to work with this year and build off of next year. The second year, we will review our process and build the next set of bold steps. Sign up for communications on the AESA website. AESA has three revenue streams: membership dues, conferences, business partners.

ADVISER Update

Matt Hastings, NDE was present to share an update on the ADVISER project. The goal of the SLDS Grant was to create the statewide dashboard. The term/acronym ADVISER is used to describe the overall program and stands for Advanced Data Views Improving Student Education Response. What was once NSSRS will soon become ADVISER. Ed-Fi is the product/technology that NDE uses to collect data. Ed-Fi allows NDE to pull data from multiple systems with no uploading needed. This allows districts to see "real" time results. The ADVISER Dashboard is an optional web-based view of student and staff data that gives educators the opportunity to make data-driven decisions that can be accessed with a single sign-on. Educators can also view student data updated daily. The ADVISER Database is where state/federal accountability data lives. This data feeds the ADVISER Dashboard. NSSRS will be fully phased out on June 30, 2018. All districts will use a Certified SIS Vendor for data reporting on or before July 1, 2018. ADVISER meetings are held monthly via Zoom. NDE Bulletin is mailed every Thursday afternoon. NSSRS/ADVISER work days are scheduled for help. Spring Data Conference (former AQuESTT) will be NSSRS to ADVISER on April 16-17, 2018. This will solely be geared toward the transition to ADVISER. It was requested that ESUs need access to school's information in order to help them get connected. Request to make a plan of action, need help from ESUs to put that plan together. NDE needs to know where the concerns and issues are within the ESUs to be able to create this plan. There are 220 schools publishing data to ADVISER. Some of those that are left are switching vendors, etc. The dashboard work that needs to be done, NDE will shift their work towards the dashboard work in July 2018. NDE needs to have everyone working to get everyone connected to ADVISER. Dr. Hastings encourages everyone to contact him if there are concerns/issues. It is also advised to use the talking points each month to ask your questions so everyone will receive the same communication. What about the possibility of buying a vendor to run the dashboard? In order to get everyone reporting statewide, the data needs to be in a data store that can be utilized by an interoperable standard. The new system will expand so that schools can do more in the data space, in a more real time way. Will the teachers be able to use the Dashboard to direct instruction? Vendors will need to write their applications to the EdFi standards. Is it more feasible for ESUs/Schools to purchase their own dashboards?

Single Sign On/Portal

Craig Hicks presented the Nebraska Portal, a comprehensive teaching and learning environment. Nebraska Portal: <https://portal.nebraskacloud.org>. The goal is for each ESU, or regional consortium, to assist their member districts in completing the process. Suggested to create a committee for Portal/Adviser to continue to communicate this process. Concerns of hackers but you can put in place some type authentication, i.e.: two-point authentication. Also,

when they have one place to go, it is easier for security to shut off access to accounts if something should happen (retire, leave, fire.)

Tina Sauser gave a presentation on the Dashboard. She shared the ADVISER website that are videos and tutorials to help getting started. There are early warnings that you can create for your Dashboard for instance, grades, tardies, etc. The administrators can each create their own warnings, watch lists, etc. She gave a tour of the look of the dashboard and information there for the different views for administrators, schools, teachers. Can schools customize the reports of what they want to see? Most needs to be standardized so that everyone is seeing the same information, but plan to have some customizable fields on what they can see.

ADVISER site: <https://goo.gl/unPtex>

ADVISER: Submit questions to the ADVISER Help team at ADVISERHelp@nebraskacloud.org. Send questions on errors and others concerns to the Help Desk. The Help Desk can help you verify where your errors are coming from such as SIS, Active Directory, ADVISER wherever the location.

The Data Conference will be as much hands on so that they can be walked through their process. The conference will focus mainly on the transition from NSSRS to ADVISER.

State Board of Education and Nebraska Department of Education Report

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6.4.1. Strategic Planning Process

Janine Theiler shared that she will update the talking points sheet and send to Executive Secretary to share out with ESUCC/PDO. Feel free to share with your superintendents. Also, we have attached some reports on feedback from ESSA. Please feel free to share questions on the talking points.

Association of Education Service Agency's Report

Executive Reports

Executive Director Report

Executive Director report throughout the committee meetings.

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Executive Committee Report

President shared discussions in committee. The committee discussed about the redesign process: engaging, envision, enacting. Shared how we will go through the process. February 7-8, 2018 are the first dates. There will be no DL for February meeting. It is important for all to attend in person. Committee will meet only as needed prior to the meetings, then have a short condensed ESUCC meeting just to approve finances and other things to be approved. The question to answer during this process is what would you have if you could have what you want. There will be a lot of context work regional, state, and national level. It is a fluid process. Executive Committee will decide who else will need to be involved in the process from

outside: staff, affiliates, etc. May 7-8 will be the follow-up day. We will be adding May 7 to calendar so to be able to do the work needed. Discussion to move January ESUCC Board meeting to the same time as PDO. Possibility to move everything to the second week.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Recommendations from Standing Committees and Project Reports

Finance, Audit, Budget Committee

Committee Chair shared budget reports.

Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of November

Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of November Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Wickham ESU 19.

- Heimann ESU 01: Yea
- DeTurk ESU 02: Yea
- Schnoes ESU 03: Yea
- Robke ESU 04: Yea
- McNiff ESU 05: Yea
- Polk ESU 07: Yea
- Mowinkel ESU 08: Yea
- Lofquist ESU 09: Yea
- Bell ESU 10: Yea
- West ESU 13: Yea
- Calvert ESU 15: Yea
- Paulman ESU 16: Yea
- Erickson ESU 17: Yea
- Standish ESU 18: Yea
- Wickham ESU 19: Yea

Yea: 15, Nay: 0

Approve November/December Expenses Paid in December

Total paid in December - \$300,485.56

Approval of November Expenses paid in December Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Polk ESU 07.

- Heimann ESU 01: Yea
- DeTurk ESU 02: Yea
- Schnoes ESU 03: Yea
- Robke ESU 04: Yea
- McNiff ESU 05: Yea
- Polk ESU 07: Yea

Mowinkel ESU 08: Yea
Lofquist ESU 09: Yea
Bell ESU 10: Yea
West ESU 13: Yea
Calvert ESU 15: Yea
Paulman ESU 16: Yea
Erickson ESU 17: Yea
Standish ESU 18: Yea
Wickham ESU 19: Yea

Yea: 15, Nay: 0

Recommend approval of December Claims to be paid in January as approved by Executive Director

Committee Chair shared that there will be some bills to be paid in January prior to February meeting

Recommend approval of December Claims to be paid in January as approved by Executive Director Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Mowinkel ESU 08.

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Technology Committee

The Committee Chair shared discussion in committee. Check with schools to join the 2nd BlendEd Co-hort applications due January 15, 2018. OER will begin soon after January PDO. Discussion regarding the involvement of Parochial Schools.

Cooperative Purchasing Project

Consent Items

Contracts to be approved.

Committee Chair shared the consent items that need approval.

Motion to approve consent items as presented Passed with a motion by Mowinkel ESU 08 and a second by Calvert ESU 15.

Heimann ESU 01: Yea

DeTurk ESU 02: Yea

Schnoes ESU 03: Yea

Robke ESU 04: Yea

McNiff ESU 05: Yea

Polk ESU 07: Yea

Mowinkel ESU 08: Yea

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Consent Items include:

Approve 2018 AEPA Contracts - Awards were made at the Fall meeting in San Antonio for the following categories:

Approve AEPA Extensions

Approve Knowbe4 Special Buy

Approve B&H Photo Special Buy

Approve Annual Buy Awards

Committee Chair discussed the annual buy bid awards and thanked the Coop staff for their work on bid awards.

Motion to approve the Annual Buy line item awards as awarded by ESUCC Coop staff. Passed with a motion by Mowinkel ESU 08 and a second by Wickham ESU 19.

Heimann ESU 01: Yea

DeTurk ESU 02: Yea

Schnoes ESU 03: Yea

Robke ESU 04: Yea

McNiff ESU 05: Yea

Polk ESU 07: Yea
Mowinkel ESU 08: Yea
Lofquist ESU 09: Yea
Bell ESU 10: Yea
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PD Leadership Committee

Committee Chair shared discussion out of committee. BrightBytes proposal by Rob Residori, Rob Residori is no longer with BrightBytes. Executive Director has not had the opportunity to meet with his replacement. Discussion regarding continuation of ESU part of BrightBytes. EdReady discussion regarding identifying the areas of need for this personalized platform. The staff will discuss with NDE Career and Technical to see if we can work with them. Possibility to work with other Innovation Grants recipients on their Pathway projects to see if we could help support with NROC. At the Affiliates meetings will share/discuss on how we can reach schools. Continue discussion with NDE stakeholders. A statistic from Accelerate NE have identified that 80% jobs in NE would not require more than a two-year degree. Are we properly preparing our students for success? Executive Committee met with NCSA to discuss roles and responsibilities as related to Professional Development for Administrators. Decided that if there was a statewide training need for statewide NCSA affiliates, it will be run through NCSA. Regional/Local events are the responsibility of those regions.

Special Populations Committee

The Committee Chair shared discussions in committee. NDE was not able to be present for committee meeting. Behavioral Health continues to be discussed and continue to work with Senator Walz on a bill that would include a service provider in each ESU and ESUCC, the money would come from private funding for the first three years and then ownership passed on to ESUs. Tele-therapy continues to be discussed. SRS is onto ADVISER. Discussion with IllniCloud on our SRS application. There will be a meeting on January 26 to discuss the HHS Medicaid Training including the Fairbanks Group.

Legislative Committee

The Committee Chair shared discussions in committee. Bromm and Associates were available for updates. Committee hearings will begin on January 16, 2018. There were 118 bills introduced the first day of session. The State of the State by Governor Ricketts will be on January 10 at 10:00 AM and general file begins that afternoon. Speaker Priorities will be on February 14, 2018. Our legislative day at the Capitol will be February 23, 2018. There has been quite the turnover in Senate staff, so need to continue to educate/communicate with

them. Executive Director shared the ESUCC Data spreadsheet. Staff is working on updating the data. NASB Legislative Conference will be on January 22, 2018.

NEW ESU Chief Administrators

There doesn't need to be a public hearing for Tech Plan. If you filled out the McRel Survey for Tech Plan, you do not have to fill out Tech Plan again.

Adjournment

Adjourn meeting at 11:55 AM.